

REMARKS

Claims 1-24, 30 and 31 are pending. By this Amendment, claims 12 and 23 are cancelled, no claims are amended and no new claims are added.

Except for the cancellation of claims 12 and 23 in this amendment, no other changes have been made to the claims as previously presented in the amendment of October 12, 2010, and all these claims are re-presented in identical form herein. Claims 1-11, 13-22, 24-30, and 31 stand allowed after the Final Office Action of January 4, 2011.

Specification

The specification amendments presented in the previous amendment filed October 12, 2010, are re-presented herein for purposes of clarity. These amendments correct certain typographical errors present in the original specification and do not introduce new matter. These amendments represent all changes proposed by Applicant relative to the original patent specification.

Rejections Under 35 USC 251

Claims 12 and 23 were rejected for allegedly introducing new matter. While Applicant does not concur that the subject matter of these claims was not present in the original disclosure and therefore traverses the rejection, Applicant has canceled claims 12 and 23 without prejudice or disclaimer in this amendment for purposes of advancing prosecution. With the cancellation of claims 12 and 23, Applicant respectfully submits that all remaining pending claims now stand allowed.

In view of the foregoing, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of the application are respectfully requested.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned if the Examiner believes it would be useful to advance prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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